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REMARKS

This is a preliminary amendment to the application filed Oct. 22, 2003.

The amendment responds to the Notice of Non-compliant amendment, dated Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> and adds an additional correction. The preliminary amendment now amends paragraph 0024 of the specification and claim 1.

Paragraph 24 contained an incorrect reference to a drawing element. The amendment corrects the reference.

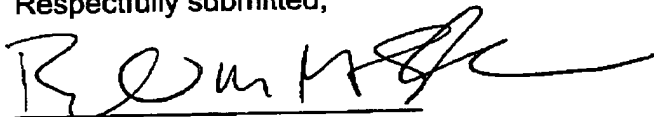
Claim 1 contained a double recitation of the word "attached," which was grammatically incorrect. The amendment deletes one of the two recitations. This is a formality and does not change the meaning of the claim.

Despite the de minimus corrections to the claim, the existing regulations appear to require applicant to re-present in a listing in this amendment the entire eighteen claims in the application.

CLAIM SUMMARY

Claims 1-18 were originally in the application as filed and remain in the application for examination. No additional fee is due.

Respectfully submitted,



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